

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Industries & Commerce Department--Agri-Science Park at International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT)--Sanction of Rs.60,00,000/- to the ICRISAT as 5th instalment towards support of the Government for the Agri-Science Park from R&D funds during the financial year 2008-2009--Orders--Issued.

INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE (BT) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 153

Dated::23.6.2008

Read the following:-

1. From the Director General, International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) , Patancheru, D.O.Letter, dated::5-3-2004.
2. G.O.Ms.No.206, Industries & Commerce (BT) Dept., dated::13-09-2004.
3. G.O.Ms.No.229, Industries & Commerce (BT) Dept., dated::10-08-2005.
4. G.O.Ms.No.332, Industries & Commerce (BT) Dept., dated::18-12-2006.
5. G.O.Ms.No.230, Industries & Commerce (BT) Dept., dated::22-08-2007.
6. From the the Chief Operating Officer, International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) , Patancheru, letter.No:ASP.GoA.P/R&D/08, dated: 07-05-2008.

ORDER:-

In the reference 1st read above, the Director General, International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), has stated that the Government of Andhra Pradesh has always supported ICRISAT in its mission to enhance the livelihood of the World's poor farmers. With the Government now involved in developing the State into a major center of biotechnology, there is even greater reason for us to be working in tandem on those issues of global concern. Further, to the agreement to jointly promote an Agri-Biotech Park, the Director General, ICRISAT has requested the support of the Government of Andhra Pradesh, to a tune of Rs.3.00 crores (Rupees three crores) from R&D Fund, towards research, equipment and training support to the Agri-Science Park including Rice Bio Park at ICRISAT, to develop new technologies over a five-year period. The funds will support research in on-going and prospective public-public and public-private joint ventures in the Agri-Science Park at ICRISAT, as well as educate farmers about biotechnology through ICRISAT's Virtual Academy for the Semi-Arid Tropics (VASAT) and SAT Eco-tourism venture being developed in partnership with the Department of Tourism of A.P.

2. In the references 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th read above, orders were issued sanctioning an amount of Rs. 2,40,00,000/- (Rupees two crores and forty lakhs only) to the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), towards research, equipment and training support to the Agri-Science Park at ICRISAT, to develop new technologies.

3. In the reference 6th read above, the Chief Operating Officer, International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) has stated that the year 2007-08 for Agri Science Park @ ICRISAT has been very fruitful, in terms of positioning ASP as the Agri-Biotech hub of the Genome Valley and further providing new dimensions of progress and new component Bio Food Knowledge Centre (BFKC) has been established under Agri-Science Park which will now work on Food Biotechnology. Business development and strategic alliances, activities have been initiated with visits to Thailand, Malaysia and New Zealand for collaboration and also a new approach has been taken to initiate Collaborative Research through CRA (Collaborative Research Agreement) currently five CRA's are in place.

4. The Chief Operating Officer has also stated that the ICRISAT now entered into fifth year of the project and while sending the Utilisation Certificate and financial statement for the year 2007-08, he has requested the Government to release the 5th tranche for an amount of Rs.60,00,000/- which will support the project as agreed.

5. After careful examination, Government have decided to sanction an amount of Rs.60,00,000/- (Rupees sixty lakhs only) to the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), as 5th installment towards support of the Government for the Agri-Science Park at ICRISAT from R&D funds during the financial year 2008-2009. Accordingly, Government hereby accord sanction for an amount of Rs.60,00,000/- (Rupees sixty lakhs only) to the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), as 5th installment towards support of the Government for the Agri Science Park at ICRISAT from R&D funds during the financial year 2008-2009.

6. The expenditure sanctioned above shall be debited to the following head of account:-

"2852-- Industries
80--General
MH 800-- Other expenditure
GH- 11-- Normal State Plan
SH(11)--Assistance to Research and Development
310--Grants-in-aid
312--Other Grants-in-aid".

7. The Assistant Secretary to Government, Industries and Commerce Department is requested to draw the amount sanctioned above by way of a cheque in favour of the Director General, International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) , Patancheru, and to send the same under proper acknowledgement.

8. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (Expr.I&C) Department--vide their U.O.No.4689/297/Expr. I&C/2008, dated::04-06-2008 and as per BRO issued vide G.O.Rt.No.2613, Finance, dated::04-06-2008.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B. SAM BOB,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT &
COMMISSIONER FOR INDUSTRIAL PROMOTION.

To

The Assistant Secretary to Government,

Industries & Commerce Department.

The Deputy Pay and Accounts Officer, Secretariat, Hyderabad.

The Industries & Commerce (OP.II) Department.

The Accountant-General, A.P., Hyderabad.

The Pay and Accounts Officer, Hyderabad.

The Director General, International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), Patancheru-502 324, Medak District.

The Chief Operating Officer, International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), Patancheru-502 324, Medak District.

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Finance (Expr.I&C) Dept.

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Section Officer.